

WOMT Summary for May 25, 2010

The WOMT Agencies met and discussed the following:

The SWG recommended OMR flows no more negative than -5,000 cfs. The latest survey data indicate that the greatest densities of delta smelt are in the Sacramento River and downstream of the confluence, and, therefore, outside the influence of the export facilities.

FWS has determined that OMR flows be no more negative than -5,000 cfs on a 14-day average (no more negative than -6,250 cfs on a 5-day average), as allowed under the RPA. The juvenile protective phase of the biological opinion (RPA Component 2; Action 3 in Attachment B) is in effect. This action will continue until June 30 or when the 3-day mean water temperature at Clifton Court Forebay reaches 25 degree Celsius, whichever occurs earlier.

Recent DOSS advice has been based on the San Joaquin River Inflow to Export Ratio (Action IV.2.1) and OMR (Action IV.2.3) as required in the NMFS Opinion. Because the implementation of those actions will be affected by the Federal court ruling expected later today, DOSS is providing no advice to NMFS or WOMT today.